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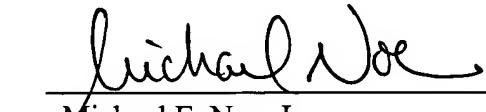
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Sir:

Applicant requests that the information listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Office during the pendency of the above-entitled application, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) within three months of the filing date of the application, or before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits. No fee or certification is required.

No fees are believed to be necessary. Please charge any fees that may be necessary for prosecution of the present application to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-2587**.

Respectfully submitted,



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